

**WORK SESSION MEETING  
OF THE  
GARFIELD MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
APRIL 14, 2026  
6:00P.M.**

The Work Session Meeting of the Garfield Mayor and Council for April 14, 2026 was called to order by City Manager/City Clerk Erin Delaney at 6:15PM. The Statement of Compliance was read.

On Roll Call present members were: Councilmembers Rigoglioso & Delaney, Deputy Mayor Kane, Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond\*, and Mayor Garnto. Also present were City Manager/City Clerk Delaney, City Engineer Kevin Boswell, City CFO Nicholas Prochilo, and City Attorney Richard Malagiere.

*\*Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond arrived during the presentation.*

Whereas, Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of the State of New Jersey requires at the commencement of every meeting a Statement of Compliance be read by the presiding officer.

Now, Therefore Be Advised, that the meeting requirements for this meeting have been met by publishing an annual meeting notice in The Record and Herald News and by posting such notice in the office of the City Clerk as well as in a public place within the Municipal Building, and by notifying interested citizens. Said notice was posted on January 5, 2026 and published on January 7, 2026. This notice can also be found on our website at:  
[www.garfieldnj.org/pages/legal-ads](http://www.garfieldnj.org/pages/legal-ads)

**Action Items:**

**1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Deputy Mayor Kane and seconded by Councilman Rigoglioso to approve the March 24, 2026 Regular Meeting minutes. The motions carried unanimously by those present.

**2. PROCLAMATION:**

R-186-26                      Commending Honorary Chief Edward Kovach on 50 Years of Active Service

**3. ORDINANCES:            FIRST READING**

R-187-26                      Re-Introduce Ord. #3131

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND § 48-1 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED “DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHED; PERSONNEL,” TO REVISE THE TABLE OF ORGANIZATION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Introduce Ord. #3135

R-188-26

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 100-5(E)(6) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO MODIFY SUNDAY HOURS OF OPERATION FOR CANNABIS ESTABLISHMENTS**

R-189-26

Introduce Ord. #3136

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LESIGLATION), CHAPTER 325 VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

R-190-26

Introduce Ord. #3137

**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF A PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY, NEW COMMUNICATION AND SIGNAL SYSTEMS EQUIPMENT, NEW INFORMATION**

**TECHNOLOGY EQUIPMENT AND A NEW FIRE ENGINE AND NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLES, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$1,843,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

R-191-26

Introduce Ord. #3138

**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY AND A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$520,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

**SECOND READING**

R-192-26

Introduce Ord. #3127

**AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGES, AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

R-193-26

Introduce Ord. #3128

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 73 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED "ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES" TO INCREASE LICENSE FEES**

R-194-26

Introduce Ord. #3129

**BOND ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$160,000 FOR THE UNDERTAKING OF RENOVATIONS AT THE SPRING STREET LITTLE LEAGUE FIELD IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

R-195-26

Introduce Ord. #3130

**CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE \$280,000 FOR VARIOUS WATER CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE WATER CAPITAL RESERVES**

R-196-26

Introduce Ord. #3132

**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE DESIGN AND ENGINEERING OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO FLEISCHER BROOK (PHASE II) IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM**

**OF \$250,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A  
DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF  
BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO  
PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND  
ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE  
ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

R-197-26

Introduce Ord. #3133

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 23-1.1(D) OF THE CODE  
OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO ESTABLISH AND  
REGULATE THE POSITION OF FIRE CHAPLAIN**

R-198-26

Introduce Ord. #3134

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE  
COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE  
“CITY”) PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL EMERGENCY  
APPROPRIATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED  
\$833,625 TO FUND THE PREPARATION AND  
EXECUTION OF A COMPLETE PROGRAM OF  
REASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY**

**4. CONSENT AGENDA:**

R-199-26

Approval of Bills List

R-200-26

Awarding a Contract for Repairs at the Garfield Health  
Department

R-201-26

Approving the Purchase of Playground Equipment Under an  
ESCNJ Cooperative Contract

R-202-26

Rescinding Resolution R-159-26 and Authorizing the Award of the  
Public Works Contract to Green Valley Group, LLC for the  
Garden Court East Playground Project – Green Acres

R-203-26

Authorizing the City to Recognize Edward Kovach as Honorary  
Chief for 50 Years of Dedicated Service to the Garfield Volunteer  
Fire Department

R-204-26

Authorizing Adoption of the Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional  
Hazard Mitigation Plan

R-205-26

Approving 2026 Cannabis License

R-206-26

Resolution to Approve the Consent Agenda

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-186-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: MAYOR GARNTO**

**SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO**

**COMMENDING HONORARY CHIEF EDWARD KOVACH ON 50 YEARS OF ACTIVE SERVICE**

**WHEREAS**, Honorary Fire Chief Edward Kovach, is being honored for his 50 years of active service to the Garfield Volunteer Fire Department with a dinner at the Venetian Restaurant located at 546 River Drive in Garfield, on Friday, April 24, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, Edward S. Kovach was born on December 4, 1956, in Passaic, New Jersey, to Stephen and Wanda Kovach. He attended the Garfield School System and graduated from Garfield High School in 1974; and

**WHEREAS**, following in the footsteps of his cousin, Stanley “Stas” Pikul, Ed joined the Garfield Volunteer Fire Company No. 5. Upon turning 18, he applied for membership and was officially accepted as an active member at the March 1976 business meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, Ed quickly established himself as a dedicated and active firefighter. In 1982, he was elected 2nd Lieutenant, advancing to 1st Lieutenant in 1983. He was then elected Captain, serving with distinction from 1984 through 1986; and

**WHEREAS**, continuing his commitment to the company, Ed transitioned into administrative leadership roles. He served as Secretary from 1988 to 1999, then as President from 2000 to 2002. In 2004, he was elected Treasurer, a position he continues to hold today; and

**WHEREAS**, beyond his leadership roles, Ed was also an active member of the Garfield Fire Department softball team, wearing #25 while playing first and third base. He served as both coach and manager when the team captured the Fire Department Mutual Aid Softball League Championship in 1990. Ed also contributed to the league as its president for several years; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2013, Ed was elected President of the Garfield Fire Department Relief Association, a role he proudly continues to serve in today; and

**WHEREAS**, Ed is a lifelong resident of Garfield and is married to his wife, Jeanne. Together, they share a family that includes three stepchildren: Justin Serfozo, Jeremy Serfozo, and Jeannine Nata; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and City Council are desirous of publicly recognizing Honorary Chief Kovach for his decades of dedicated and faithful service to the Garfield Volunteer Fire Department, and for his public-spiritedness which has served to enhance the lives of the citizenry of our community;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Garfield, Bergen County, New Jersey, that Honorary Fire Chief Kovach is hereby publicly commended and honored, with deep and grateful appreciation, for his five decades of distinguished service, during which he has provided a model of commitment and dedication that will serve to inspire and encourage all future firefighters.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-187-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE  
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO**

**RE-INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3131  
FIRST READING**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND § 48-1 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD,  
ENTITLED “DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHED; PERSONNEL,” TO REVISE THE  
TABLE OF ORGANIZATION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on,  
April 28, 2026 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons  
interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to  
advertise in a legal newspaper a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work  
Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3131**

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**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND § 48-1 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD,  
ENTITLED “DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHED; PERSONNEL,” TO REVISE THE  
TABLE OF ORGANIZATION OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1.**

§ 48-1A(1), entitled “Table of organization/number and types of positions within the Police Department,” is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (a) Chief of Police: One.
- (b) Deputy Chief: Up to one.
- (c) Captain of Police: Up to five.
- (d) Lieutenant of Police: Up to eight.
- (e) Sergeant of Police: Up to 13.
- (f) Police officers: Up to 60.
- (g) Civilian employees as follows:

- [1] Records clerks: Three.
- [2] Crossing guards: Up to 36.
- [3] Parking Enforcement Officers: Up to 12.

**SECTION 2.**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 3.**

If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, or clause of this ordinance is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.**

This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication as required by law

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: March 24, 2026

Re-Introduced: April 14, 2026

Adopted:

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-188-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO  
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3135  
FIRST READING**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 100-5(E)(6) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO MODIFY SUNDAY HOURS OF OPERATION FOR CANNABIS ESTABLISHMENTS**

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

**BE IT RESOLVED, BE IT RESOLVED**, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on, April 28, 2026 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to advertise in a legal newspaper a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3135**

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 100-5(E)(6) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO MODIFY SUNDAY HOURS OF OPERATION FOR CANNABIS ESTABLISHMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield has adopted Chapter 100 regulating cannabis establishments; and

**WHEREAS**, § 100-5(E)(6) currently establishes permitted hours of operation for cannabis establishments, including limited hours on Sundays; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council have determined that expanding Sunday operating hours will better serve the public while maintaining appropriate regulatory controls;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT**

Section § **100-5(E)(6)** of the Code of the City of Garfield is hereby amended to read as follows (additions in **bold**, deletions struck through):

(6) Cannabis establishments shall be permitted to conduct their business during the hours of **7:00AM to 10:00PM., Monday through Saturday; and 10:00AM. to 7:00PM. on Sunday.**

**SECTION 2. REPEALER**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY**

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication in accordance with law.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 14, 2026

Adopted:

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-189-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: MAYOR GARNTO  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3136  
FIRST READING**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 325 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on, April 28, 2026 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to advertise in a legal newspaper a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

**Record of Council Vote on Passage**

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3136**

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**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART II (GENERAL LEGISLATION), CHAPTER 325 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC) OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD**

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. §39:4-8 and N.J.S.A. §39:4-197 enable municipalities regulate traffic on public roads within the municipality; and

**WHEREAS**, concerns have been raised by residents of the City of Garfield regarding the intersection at Jewell Street and Columbus Avenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the police department of the City of Garfield conducted a traffic and speed study at this location and determined a stop sign would be an appropriate measure for the safety of the motorists using this intersection; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. §39:4-8, “[a] municipality may, without the approval of the commissioner, and consistent with the current standards prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways, establish by ordinance, resolution, or regulation, any of the provisions contained in R.S.39:4-197”; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. §39:4-197, municipalities may pass ordinances or resolutions “regulating the passage or stopping of traffic at certain congested street corners or other designated points, including the establishment of multi-way stop controls” without the approval of the Commissioner of Transportation so long as they are consistent with the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways; and

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance shall create the mechanism where the City code as relates the placement of all future stop and yield signs in the City of Garfield can be easily amended to add signs in the future; and

**WHEREAS**, a new stop sign shall be placed on Jewell Street and Columbus Ave’s intersection; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of the City Garfield (“City”) believes it is in the best interest of the City to Amend Part II (General Legislation), Chapter 325 (Vehicles and Traffic) of the City Code of the City of Garfield;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and City Council of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows: [add]/~~[delete]~~ [editor’s note: *all existing, unaltered content in ordinance is in italic*]

**§ 325-1 Purpose.**

The purpose of this chapter is to enact ordinances and provide rules and regulations governing the vehicles and traffic throughout the City of Garfield for the safety the residents with particular focus on the road and street on which schools are located in the City.

**§ 325-2 Temporary closing of school streets.**

- A. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-16.7, the City Manager of the City of Garfield is hereby authorized to close by regulation any portion of any street wherein is located any public or private school if he/she shall find that a safety problem exists for ingress or egress to any such school or for the provision of recreational facilities for children attending such schools, or both, due to lack of a suitable area surrounding the school.
- B. Such portion of such street shall be closed for use of through traffic during such time as they shall determine, not to exceed one hour between 7:30 AM and 10:00 AM, two hours between 11:00 AM and 2:00 PM and one hour between 2:30 PM and 4:30 PM on any days upon which such school is in session.
- C. Proper warning signs shall be posted in said street indicating that said street is so closed, and the reason therefor, during the time when the same is closed.

- D. No regulation established pursuant to this section shall be effective unless and until it shall have been approved by the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation.
- E. Any violation of any regulation established pursuant to this section shall be deemed a violation of this chapter and shall be punishable as such.

**§ 325-3 U-turn prohibition.**

No person shall make a U-turn on any street in the City.

**§ 325-4 Right turns prohibited.**

No person shall make a right turn whenever a sign is posted prohibiting such a turn the following intersections:

- A. Ray Street traveling south onto Lanza Avenue traveling west from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM and from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM on every day when school is in session;
- B. Lanza Avenue traveling east onto Ray Street traveling south from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM and from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM on every day when school is in session.

**[§ 325-5 Stop and Yield Sign Placement**

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-8 and N.J.S.A 39:4-197, the following tables list all additional stop and yield signs in the City of Garfield, not affirmed by §325-6.]

<b><u>Stop Sign</u></b>	
<b><u>Stop Sign on</u></b>	<b><u>At Intersection of</u></b>
<u>Jewell Street</u>	<u>Jewell Street and Columbus Ave</u>

<b><u>Yield Sign</u></b>	
<b><u>Yield Sign on</u></b>	<b><u>At Intersection of</u></b>

**[§325-6 Pre-Existing Stop and Yield Signs.]**

[All Stop and Yield signs in the City of Garfield already in place prior to the date of this amendment to this Ordinance are hereby approved authorized and affirmed in the respective locations].

**§ 325- [5][7] Penalties.**

Unless another penalty is expressly provided by New Jersey statute, or except as specifically provided in some other section of this chapter, every person convicted of a violation of a provision of this chapter or any supplement thereto shall be liable to a penalty of not more than \$500 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 15 days, or both.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 14, 2026

Adopted:

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-190-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY  
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3137  
FIRST READING**

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be passed and adopted on first reading; and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on, April 28, 2026 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

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APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

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Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3137**

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**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "City") is hereby authorized to make a public improvement and to acquire new additional or replacement equipment and machinery, new communication and signal systems equipment, new information technology equipment and a new fire engine and new automotive vehicles, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for said City, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. The cost of the improvements includes all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said City.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the amount of each sum which is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance such purposes, and (3) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (4) the period of

usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Acquisition of new automotive vehicles (with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) in excess of 15,000 pounds), including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of dump trucks with plows and spreaders for the use of the Department of Public Works.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 390,000	
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 18,600	
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 371,400	
Period of Usefulness		10 years

B. Acquisition of a new pumper fire engine, including original apparatus and equipment.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$1,310,000	
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 62,400	
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$1,247,600	
Period of Usefulness		10 years

C. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and new communication and signal systems equipment for the use of the Fire Department consisting of (i) radios, (ii) fire hose and (iii) nozzles.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 85,000	
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 4,100	
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 80,900	
Period of Usefulness		5 years

D. Acquisition of new information technology equipment consisting of laptops for the use of the Police Department.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 38,000	
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 1,900	
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 36,100	
Period of Usefulness		5 years

E. Installation of security cameras at Jewell Street Spray Park.

Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$ 20,000	
Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 1,000	
Bonds and Notes Authorized	\$ 19,000	
Period of Usefulness		10 years

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Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost	\$1,843,000	
Aggregate Down Payment Appropriated	\$ 88,000	
Aggregate Amount of Bonds and Notes Authorized		\$1,755,000

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$10,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such

purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$88,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said City, are now available to finance said purposes. The sum of \$88,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purposes.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,755,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$1,755,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 9. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said City and attested by the City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is

hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 9.66 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the City Clerk of said City, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said City, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$1,755,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by said Local Bond Law.

Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 13. The City intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the City incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the City hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 14. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the City, and the City shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the City for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 15. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions

promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the City Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 16. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 14, 2026

Adopted:

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-191-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY  
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3138  
FIRST READING**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that an ordinance entitled:

**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY AND A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$520,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

be passed and adopted on first reading; and

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that a final hearing on said ordinance will be heard at a meeting held on, April 28, 2026 at 6:00PM or as soon thereafter as same can be heard, at which time any persons interested in said ordinance can be heard; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Clerk be and she is hereby authorized to advertise in a legal newspaper a notice of introduction and final hearing as required by law.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3138**

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**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAKING OF VARIOUS PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS AND THE ACQUISITION OF NEW ADDITIONAL OR REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY AND A NEW AUTOMOTIVE VEHICLE, INCLUDING ORIGINAL APPARATUS AND EQUIPMENT, IN, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$520,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "City") is hereby authorized to make various public improvements and to acquire new additional or replacement equipment and machinery and a new automotive vehicle, including original apparatus and equipment, in, by and for the Water Utility of said City, as more particularly described in Section 4 hereof. Said improvements shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. There is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purposes"), the respective amounts of money hereinafter stated as the appropriation for said respective purposes. Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized by this ordinance. No down payment is required for this bond ordinance pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c) and 40A:2-7(h). Said improvements shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that the making of such improvements is not a current expense of said City.

Section 4. The several purposes hereby authorized for the financing of which said obligations are to be issued are set forth in the following "Schedule of Improvements, Purposes and Amounts" which schedule also shows (1) the amount of the appropriation and the estimated cost of each such purpose, and (2) the estimated maximum amount of bonds and notes to be issued for each such purpose, and (3) the period of usefulness of each such purpose, according to its reasonable life, computed from the date of said bonds:

SCHEDULE OF IMPROVEMENTS, PURPOSES AND AMOUNTS

A. Acquisition of a new automotive vehicle (with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) in excess of 15,000 pounds), including original apparatus and equipment, consisting of a utility truck.

Appropriation and  
Estimated Cost

\$130,000

Bonds and Notes  
Authorized

\$130,000

Period of Usefulness

10 years

B. Acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of (a) tv camera water line inspection equipment and (b) chlorine analyzers.

Appropriation and  
Estimated Cost

\$

25,000

Bonds and Notes  
Authorized

\$

25,000

Period of Usefulness

5 years

C. (i) Undertaking of the following improvements: (a) replacement of granular activated carbon filter media at various wells and (b) replacement of water meters (Phase 3); and (ii) acquisition of new additional or replacement equipment and machinery consisting of (a) an asphalt hot box and (b) fire hydrants.

Appropriation and  
Estimated Cost

\$365,000

Bonds and Notes Authorized

\$365,000

Period of Usefulness

15 years

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Aggregate Appropriation and Estimated Cost \$520,000

Aggregate Amount of  
Bonds and  
Notes Authorized

\$520,000

Section 5. The cost of such purposes, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$5,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purposes, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law").

Section 6. It is hereby determined and stated that the Water Utility would have been self-liquidating, as defined in Section 47(a) of the Local Bond Law, during the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2025, had there been included in the interest and debt redemption charges for such year an amount equal to interest for one year at the rate of four and one half percentum (4 1/2%) per annum on said bonds or notes, and the amount of the first installment of serial bonds legally issuable to finance such purpose plus an amount for charges as aforesaid with respect to all bonds and notes authorized but not issued for such Water Utility.

Section 7. To finance said purposes, bonds of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$520,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 8. To finance said purposes, bond anticipation notes of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$520,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 9. Each bond anticipation note issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations

prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said City and attested by the City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 10. It is hereby determined and declared that the average period of usefulness of said purposes, according to their reasonable lives, taking into consideration the respective amounts of bonds or notes authorized for said purposes, is a period of 13.26 years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 11. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the City Clerk of said City, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said City, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$520,000, but said \$520,000 shall be deducted from gross debt pursuant to Section 44(c) of the Local Bond Law and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance is permitted by an exception to the debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law as provided in Sections 47(a) and 7(h) of the Local Bond Law.

Section 12. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purposes shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purposes, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purposes shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 13. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the City Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 14. The City intends to issue the bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements described in Sections 1 and 4 of this bond ordinance. If the City incurs such costs prior to the issuance of the bonds or notes, the City hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this bond ordinance.

Section 15. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the City, and the City shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the City for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 16. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: April 14, 2026

Adopted:

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for a public hearing. No one wished to be heard.

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-192-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO  
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3127  
SECOND READING**

**WHEREAS**, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGES, AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on March 24, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3127**

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**AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE SALARY, WAGES, AND COMPENSATION OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:9-1 65, the City must set salaries and state all compensation and benefits for non-contractual officers and employees, statutory employees and elected officials not directly subject to duly adopted collective bargaining agreements by separate ordinance; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The salary, wages, and compensation to be paid the following officers and employees of the City of Garfield, be and the same are hereby established as set forth as Exhibit A attached hereto.

**SECTION 2. Longevity.**

A. In addition to the foregoing compensation, all full-time officers and employees of the City of Garfield identified in this Ordinance, except for the Chief of Police, Sewer Water Facilities Manager, Assist. Water Supervisor, Assist. Water Superintendent, Superintendent/ Streets and Public Works, Supervisor of Streets and Public Works, Recreation Director, Assist. Municipal Parks Superintendent, hired on or before July 1, 1999 shall be entitled to longevity and compensation in the amount of:

- 4% of base salary for employment of not less than five (5) years through the end of the ninth (9th) year;
- 5% of base salary for employment beginning on the tenth (10th) year through the end of the fifteenth (15th) year;
- 6% of base salary for employment beginning with the sixteenth (16th) year through the end of the nineteenth (19th) year;
- 7% base salary for employment beginning with the twentieth (20th) year and annually thereafter.

Employees identified in this Ordinance hired on or after July 1, 1999 shall not be eligible for longevity compensation.

**SECTION 3. Fringe and Healthcare Benefits.**

All full-time officers and employees of the City of Garfield identified in this Ordinance, except for the Chief of Police, Sewer Water Facilities Manager, Assist. Water Supervisor, Assist. Water Superintendent, Superintendent/Streets and Public Works, Supervisor of Streets and Public Works, Recreation Director, Assist. Municipal Parks Superintendent shall be entitled to the same fringe benefits as set forth in the then-in-effect Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between the City of Garfield and United Public Service Employees Union, including but not limited to the accrual of vacation and sick time. Any employee hired on or after January 1, 2025 shall be placed on the Tier 4 health benefit schedule.

**SECTION 4. Chief of Police Fringe Benefits.**

Any person appointed and serving under the title of Chief of Police shall be entitled to and receive fringe benefits as set forth in an Agreement between the Chief of Police and the City of Garfield. The salary established in the Agreement shall be final and the Chief

of Police shall not be eligible for an additional or supplemental salary payments. The Agreement shall set forth the accrual of vacation and sick time, but the Chief of Police shall have no entitlement to overtime or compensatory time; however, the Chief of Police shall be paid out any compensation of overtime he/she may have accrued as a police officer prior to their appointment as the Chief of Police same health benefits shall also be provided subject to the contribution requirements set forth by the Agreement and/or statute.

**SECTION 5. Sewer Water Facilities Manager, Assist. Water Supervisor, Assist. Water Superintendent, Superintendent/ Streets and Public Works, Supervisor of Streets and Public Works, Recreation Director, Assist. Municipal Parks Superintendent Fringe Benefits.**

Any person employed and serving as Facilities Manager, Assist, Water Supervisor, Assist. Water Superintendent, Superintendent/Street and Public Works, Recreation Director, Assist. Municipal Parks Superintendent shall be entitled to the same fringe benefits as set forth in the then-in-effect Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between The City of Garfield Bergen County, N.J. and Teamsters Local Union No. 469, an Affiliate of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, including but not limited to the accrual of vacation and sick time; excluding clothing allowance and any additional pay for endorsements, including but not limited to CDL and tanker endorsements. The same health benefits shall also be provided subject to the contribution requirements set forth in the then-in-effect Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between The City of Garfield Bergen County, N.J. and Teamsters Local Union No. 469.

**SECTION 6. Repealer.**

All ordinances and parts of Ordinance in conflict with or inconsistent with this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed but to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

**SECTION 7. Effective Date**

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately after the final passage, provided notice of same has been duly published as required by law. This Ordinance shall have an effective date of January 1, 2026, to the extent necessary, or as specified in applicable appointment letters administered by the City Manager.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: March 24, 2026

Adopted: April 14, 2026

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

**EXHIBIT A**

**2026**

<b>Statutory</b>	<b>Min</b>	<b>Max</b>
Municipal Clerk	100,000	260,000
Chief Finance Officer (Full-Time)	100,000	160,000
Chief Assessor (Part-Time)	40,000	55,000
Municipal Tax Collector	85,000	100,000
<b>Governing Body</b>		
Council Member	10,000	30,000
Mayor	10,000	30,000
<b>City Manager's Office</b>		
City Manager	50,000	260,000
Assistant Affirmative	1,200	1,500
Action EOO		
Executive Secretary (Exec./Confidential)	40,000	75,000
<b>City Clerk's Office</b>		
Executive Secretary (Exec./Confidential)	40,000	75,000
<b>Others</b>		
Attorney – Board of Adjustment	10,000	17,000
Secretary/Clerk – Board of Adjustment	5,000	10,000
Attorney – Planning Board	10,000	17,000
Secretary/Clerk – Planning Board	5,000	10,000
Veterans Officer	1,000	5,000
Emergency Management Coordinator	5,000	10,000
Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator (s)	1,000	5,000
P/T Fire Inspectors	\$20.00 per hour	\$35.00 per hour
P/T Recreation Counselors	\$15.92 per hour	\$15.92 per hour
P/T Lunch Program Monitor	\$15.92 per hour	\$15.92 per hour
P/T Recreation Leaders	\$20.00 per hour	\$25.75 per hour
Summer Teacher/ Supervisor	\$25.00 per hour	\$25.75 per hour
Municipal Housing Liaison	2,500	10,000
<b>Finance Department</b>		
Confidential Finance Assistant	40,000	75,000
Treasurer	6,000	10,000
QPA		10,000
<b>Building/Fire Prevention Department</b>		
Construction Official/Plumbing Sub-Code/Flood Plain Manager/Multi-Dwelling Inspector/Bldg. Inspector/Code Enforcement/Zoning Officer – Garfield Code 341-59/Bldg. Sub-Code/Plumbing Sub-Code/Plumbing Inspector Fire Sub-Code/Elect. Sub-Code	50,000	180,000
Fire Safety Official (effective 8/1/23)– Garfield Code 39-78-39-81 (Part-time) Multi-Dwelling Inspector (effective 1/1/2022)	35,000	75,000
<b>Municipal Court</b>		
Municipal Magistrate	57,239	75,000
Municipal Court Administrator	65,000	125,000
Municipal Prosecutor	32,000	45,000
Public Defender	4,176	7,000
Alternate Municipal Prosecutor	10,000	12,000
Alternate Public Defender	\$65 per diem	\$65 per diem
Shared Service Court Administrator	10,000	10,000

<b>Department of Health</b>		
Registrar	40,000	55,000
Deputy Registrar	1,000	2,000
Social Worker	\$35 per hour	\$35 per hour
<b>Police Personnel</b>		
Crossing Guards	\$20.00 per hour	\$27.00 per hour
Parking Enforcement	\$20.00 per hour	\$25.00 per hour
Police Chief	180,000	250,000
<b>Water Department</b>		
Water Superintendent	100,000	180,000
Assistant Water Supervisor	65,000	95,000
Assistant Water Superintendent	70,000	105,000
Water Collector	5,000	10,000
<b>DPW</b>		
Superintendent/Streets and Public Works	100,000	180,000
Supervisor of Streets and Public Works	70,000	80,000
<b>Recreation</b>		
Recreation Director (if Full-time)	75,000	110,000
Recreation Director (if Part-time)	25,000	50,000
Assistant Municipal Parks Superintendent	75,000	105,000
Municipal Park Maintenance	1,000	10,300
<b>Unclassified</b>		
Tax Assessing Aide	33,000	80,000
Revaluation Aide	5,000	5,000
Part-time Employees	\$15.92 per hour	\$60 per hour

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for a public hearing. No one wished to be heard.

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-193-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: MAYOR GARNTO  
SECONDED BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3128  
SECOND READING**

**WHEREAS**, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 73 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES” TO INCREASE LICENSE FEES**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on March 24, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3128**

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**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 73 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, ENTITLED “ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES” TO INCREASE LICENSE FEES**

**WHEREAS**, the Governing Body of Garfield believes it is in the best interest of the City of Garfield to increase certain fees for liquor license applications for liquor licenses and renewals;

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Mayor and City Council of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 73 of the City Code of the City of Garfield, entitled “Alcoholic Beverages” is hereby amended to read as follows:

**§ 73-2 Fee for plenary retail consumption license.**

The annual fee for a plenary retail consumption license shall be in the sum of \$2,239.00

**§ 73-3 Fee for plenary distribution license.**

The annual fee for a plenary retail distribution license shall be in the sum of \$2,239.00

SECTION 2. All ordinances of the City of Garfield, which are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. If any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court or competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portion of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. All other provisions of Chapter 73 of the Code of the City of Garfield are not further amended and remain in full force and effect.

This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon final passage.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: March 24, 2026

Adopted: April 14, 2026

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for a public hearing. No one wished to be heard.

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-194-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY  
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3129  
SECOND READING**

WHEREAS, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:

**BOND ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$160,000 FOR THE UNDERTAKING OF RENOVATIONS AT THE SPRING STREET LITTLE LEAGUE FIELD IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on March 24, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

WHEREAS, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

\_\_\_\_\_  
Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3129**

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**BOND ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE AN ADDITIONAL SUM OF \$160,000 FOR THE UNDERTAKING OF RENOVATIONS AT THE SPRING STREET LITTLE LEAGUE FIELD IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Garfield has heretofore authorized the undertaking of renovations at the Spring Street Little League Field in, by and for the City and appropriated the sum of \$1,385,000 therefor pursuant to Ordinance No. 3080 adopted by the City Council of said City on June 24, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council now finds and determines that the additional sum of \$160,000 is required for such improvements;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "City"), as follows:

Section 1. The additional sum of \$160,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of the improvements authorized by Ordinance No. 3080 adopted by the City Council of the City on June 24, 2025 (the "Prior Ordinance"). Said additional appropriation shall be met from the down payment appropriated and from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized by this ordinance. Said improvements have been and shall be made as general improvements and no part of the cost thereof has been nor shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 2. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the making of such improvements (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") is not a current expense of said City, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of said City pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose authorized by the Prior Ordinance is \$1,545,000, including the sum of \$1,385,000 appropriated by the Prior Ordinance and the \$160,000 appropriated by this ordinance, and (4) \$73,700 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment, including the \$66,000 appropriated by the Prior Ordinance and the \$7,700 hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$1,471,300, including the \$1,319,000 authorized by the Prior Ordinance and the \$152,300 hereinafter authorized, and (6) the cost of such purpose includes the aggregate amount of \$145,000, including the sum of \$100,000 stated in the Prior Ordinance and the sum of \$45,000 hereby stated, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of such purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$7,700, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets

heretofore adopted for said City, are now available to finance said purpose. The sum of \$7,700 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 4. To finance said purpose, bonds of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$152,300 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 5. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$152,300 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 6. Each bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance and shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said City and attested by the City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 7. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of fifteen years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the City Clerk of said City, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said City, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$152,300 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 9. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of such purpose, shall be applied to the payment of the cost of such purpose, or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for such purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 10. The City intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvements authorized by the Prior Ordinance and described herein. If the City incurs such costs prior to the issuance of such bonds or notes, the City hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this ordinance.

Section 11. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the City, and the City shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the City for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 12. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the City Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 13. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: March 24, 2026

Adopted: April 14, 2026

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for a public hearing. No one wished to be heard.

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-195-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3130  
SECOND READING**

**WHEREAS**, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:  
**CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE \$280,000 FOR VARIOUS WATER CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE WATER CAPITAL RESERVES**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on March 24, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

REJECTED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso		X		
Delaney		X		
Kane		X		
Raymond				X
Garnto		X		

This resolution was rejected by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3130**

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**CAPITAL ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE \$280,000 FOR VARIOUS WATER CAPITAL EQUIPMENT, BY AND FOR THE WATER UTILITY OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, NEW JERSEY, TO BE FUNDED BY THE WATER CAPITAL RESERVES**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Garfield now finds and determines that \$280,000 is required for various water capital equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, there are available funds in the water capital reserves;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey (the "City") as follows:

Section 1. The sum of \$280,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of various water capital equipment, which includes:

- (2) Water filter replacements - \$200,000
- (4) Hach mechanisms - \$25,000
- (5) Fire Hydrant replacements - \$55,000

No down payment is required for this ordinance as it will be fully funded through the water capital reserves. Said equipment has been and shall be made for general utility purposes and no part of the cost thereof has been nor shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 2. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) the purchase of such equipment (hereinafter referred to as "purpose") is not a current expense of said City, and (2) the capital reserves are sufficient to fully fund the capital ordinance pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose authorized by the Water Utility is \$280,000 and including the sum of \$0 for Section 20 costs hereby stated, which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses.

Section 3. There will be no issuance of debt and as such, there is no need to provide a self-liquidating calculation or Supplemental Debt Statement.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after the first publication therefore after final passage.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: March 24, 2026

Rejected: April 14, 2026

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for a public hearing. No one wished to be heard.

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-196-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3132  
SECOND READING**

**WHEREAS**, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:  
**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE DESIGN AND ENGINEERING PHASE OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO FLEISCHER BROOK (PHASE II) IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$250,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on March 24, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3132**

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**BOND ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE DESIGN AND ENGINEERING PHASE OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS TO FLEISCHER BROOK (PHASE II) IN, BY AND FOR THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, TO APPROPRIATE THE SUM OF \$250,000 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF, TO MAKE A DOWN PAYMENT, TO AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS TO FINANCE SUCH APPROPRIATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH BONDS**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the "City"), is hereby authorized to undertake the design and engineering phase of various improvements to Fleischer Brook (Phase II) in, by and for the City. Said improvement shall include all work, materials and appurtenances necessary and suitable therefor.

Section 2. The sum of \$250,000 is hereby appropriated to the payment of the cost of making the improvement described in Section 1 hereof (hereinafter referred to as "purpose"). Said appropriation shall be met from the proceeds of the sale of the bonds authorized and the down payment appropriated by this ordinance. Said improvement shall be made as a general improvement and no part of the cost thereof shall be assessed against property specially benefited.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and stated that (1) said purpose is not a current expense of the City, and (2) it is necessary to finance said purpose by the issuance of obligations of the City pursuant to the Local Bond Law (Chapter 2 of Title 40A of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated, as amended; the "Local Bond Law"), and (3) the estimated cost of said purpose is \$250,000, and (4) \$12,000 of said sum is to be provided by the down payment hereinafter appropriated to finance said purpose, and (5) the estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes necessary to be issued for said purpose is \$238,000, and (6) the cost of said purpose, as hereinbefore stated, includes the aggregate amount of \$250,000 which is estimated to be necessary to finance the cost of said purpose, including architect's fees, accounting, engineering and inspection costs, legal expenses and other expenses, including interest on such obligations to the extent permitted by Section 20 of the Local Bond Law.

Section 4. It is hereby determined and stated that moneys exceeding \$12,000, appropriated for down payments on capital improvements or for the capital improvement fund in budgets heretofore adopted for said City, are now available to finance said purpose. The sum of \$12,000 is hereby appropriated from such moneys to the payment of the cost of said purpose.

Section 5. To finance said purpose, bonds of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$238,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law. Said bonds shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law. All matters with respect to said bonds not determined by this ordinance shall be determined by resolutions to be hereafter adopted.

Section 6. To finance said purpose, bond anticipation notes of said City of an aggregate principal amount not exceeding \$238,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the Local Bond Law in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds. In the event that bonds are issued pursuant to this ordinance, the aggregate amount of notes hereby authorized to be issued shall be reduced by an amount equal to the principal amount of the bonds so issued. If the aggregate

amount of outstanding bonds and notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall at any time exceed the sum first mentioned in this section, the moneys raised by the issuance of said bonds shall, to not less than the amount of such excess, be applied to the payment of such notes then outstanding.

Section 7. Each bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this ordinance shall be dated on or about the date of its issuance, shall be payable not more than one year from its date, shall bear interest at a rate per annum as may be hereafter determined within the limitations prescribed by law, and may be renewed from time to time pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law. Each of said bond anticipation notes shall be signed by the Mayor and by a financial officer and shall be under the seal of said City and attested by the City Clerk or Deputy City Clerk. Said officers are hereby authorized to execute said notes in such form as they may adopt in conformity with law. The power to determine any matters with respect to said notes not determined by this ordinance, and also the power to sell said notes, is hereby delegated to the Chief Financial Officer who is hereby authorized to sell said notes either at one time or from time to time in the manner provided by law.

Section 8. It is hereby determined and declared that the period of usefulness of said purpose, according to its reasonable life, is a period of fifteen years computed from the date of said bonds.

Section 9. It is hereby determined and stated that the Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly made and filed in the office of the City Clerk of said City, and that such statement so filed shows that the gross debt of said City, as defined in Section 43 of the Local Bond Law, is increased by this ordinance by \$238,000 and that the issuance of the bonds and notes authorized by this ordinance will be within all debt limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 10. Any funds received from private parties, the County of Bergen, the State of New Jersey or any of their agencies or any funds received from the United States of America or any of its agencies in aid of said purpose shall be applied to the payment of the cost of said purpose or, if bond anticipation notes have been issued, to the payment of the bond anticipation notes, and the amount of bonds authorized for said purpose shall be reduced accordingly.

Section 11. The capital budget is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency therewith and the resolutions promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director, Division of Local Government Services, is on file with the City Clerk and is available for public inspection.

Section 12. The City intends to issue bonds or notes to finance the cost of the improvement described in Section 1 of this ordinance. If the City incurs such costs prior to the issuance of such bonds or notes, the City hereby states its reasonable expectation to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of such bonds or notes in the maximum principal amount of bonds or notes authorized by this ordinance.

Section 13. The full faith and credit of the City are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the obligations authorized by this ordinance. Said obligations shall be direct, unlimited and general obligations of the City, and the City shall levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the City for the payment of the principal of and interest on such bonds and notes, without limitation as to rate or amount.

Section 14. This ordinance shall take effect twenty days after the first publication thereof after final passage.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: March 24, 2026

Adopted: April 14, 2026

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for a public hearing. No one wished to be heard.

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-197-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: MAYOR GARNTO  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN RIGOGLIOSO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3133  
SECOND READING**

**WHEREAS**, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 23-1.1(D) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD TO ESTABLISH AND REGULATE THE POSITION OF FIRE CHAPLAIN**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on March 24, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

**Record of Council Vote on Passage**

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3133**

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**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING § 23-1.1(D) OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF  
GARFIELD TO ESTABLISH AND REGULATE THE POSITION OF FIRE CHAPLAIN**

**Section 1. Amendment of § 23-1.1**

Section § 23-1.1 of the Code of the City of Garfield, entitled “Fire Chaplain,” is hereby amended to read as follows:

**§ 23-1.1 Fire Chaplain**

**A. Position created.**

The position of Fire Chaplain for the City of Garfield Fire Department is hereby created. The Fire Chaplain shall serve as a volunteer under the supervision of the Fire Chief and shall provide spiritual, emotional, and crisis support services to members of the Fire Department and, when appropriate, to the community.

**B. Qualifications.**

Any person appointed as Chaplain shall:

1. Be an ordained or otherwise formally recognized clergy member in good standing within a religious or spiritual organization;
2. Demonstrate experience or training in counseling, crisis intervention, or pastoral care; and
3. Be capable of serving individuals of diverse faiths and backgrounds.

**C. Duties of Fire Chaplain.**

The duties of the Fire Chaplain shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Providing spiritual and emotional support to Fire Department personnel and their families;
2. Assisting with death notifications when requested by the Fire Chief;
3. Offering counseling and crisis intervention at emergency incidents and within the station house;
4. Supporting personnel following traumatic incidents;
5. Attending department functions, memorial services, and ceremonies as appropriate; and
6. Performing such other duties as may be assigned by the Fire Chief.

**D. Rank and salary.**

The position of Fire Chaplain shall be a volunteer position and shall not carry a salary. The Fire Chaplain shall be entitled to an annual clothing allowance in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), payable in accordance with procedures established by the City. Such allowance shall be used for the purchase and maintenance of uniforms or appropriate attire required for the performance of duties.

**E. Term of office.**

A person appointed as Fire Chaplain shall serve for a term of one (1) year from the date of appointment and may be reappointed. The Mayor shall appoint the Fire Chaplain with the advice and consent of the City Council.

**F. Removal.**

The Fire Chaplain may be removed by the Mayor, with or without cause, upon recommendation of the Fire Chief.

**Section 2. Repealer**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**Section 3. Severability**

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance.

**Section 4. Effective Date**

This ordinance shall take effect upon final passage and publication according to law.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: March 24, 2026

Adopted: April 14, 2026

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Mayor Garnto opened the floor for a public hearing. No one wished to be heard.

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-198-26**

**RESOLUTION BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY  
SECONDED BY: MAYOR GARNTO**

**INTRODUCE ORDINANCE #3134  
SECOND READING**

**WHEREAS**, a public notice has been given by the City Clerk that an ordinance entitled:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE "CITY") PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$833,625 TO FUND THE PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF A COMPLETE PROGRAM OF A REASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY**

was introduced and passed at a meeting held on March 24, 2026 and that further consideration of this ordinance would be taken up at this meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, all persons interested in said ordinance were given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, that said ordinance pass on final reading.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
ORDINANCE NO.: 3134**

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**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF BERGEN,  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY (THE “CITY”) PROVIDING FOR A SPECIAL  
EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$833,625 TO  
FUND THE PREPARATION AND EXECUTION OF A COMPLETE PROGRAM OF A  
REASSESSMENT OF REAL PROPERTY**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield, in the County of Bergen, State of New Jersey (the “City”) seeks to implement a municipal wide Reassessment on all real property; and

**WHEREAS**, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-53 provides that a local unit such as the City may adopt an ordinance authorizing a special emergency appropriation for the preparation and execution of a complete program of Reassessment of real property for the use of the local assessor;

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Governing Body of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen and State of New Jersey, that pursuant to N.J.S. 40A:4-53 (Ch. 48, P.L. 1956 as amended by Ch. 144, P.L. 1965 and Ch. 38, P.L. 1969) the sum of \$833,625 is hereby appropriated for the preparation and execution of a complete reassessment of real property for the use of the local assessor or of any program to update and make current any previous revaluation program when such is ordered by the county board of taxation, by the City of Garfield and shall be deemed a special emergency appropriation as defined and provided for in N.J.S. 40A:4-53(b).

Such emergency appropriation and/or the special emergency notes authorized to finance the appropriation shall be provided for in succeeding annual budgets by the inclusion of at least 1/5 of the amount authorized pursuant to this act (N.J.S. 40A:4-55).

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC

City Manager/City Clerk

Introduced: March 24, 2026

Adopted: April 14, 2026

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

Deputy Mayor Kane and Mayor Garnto noted that they vote no on bills for Passaic Valley Water Commission that are related to billing services/customer services due to issues related to estimated bills and inconsistency. Therefore, those bills were not approved for payment. However, any other bills such as for purchase of water, etc. were approved. Mayor Garnto then changed his vote to approve releasing said payments as he did not want to hold them up.

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-199-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY**

**APPROVAL OF BILLS LIST**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the Current Year Reserve totaling \$12,286.77 and the Current Fund totaling \$1,374,639.43 and the Water Reserves totaling \$0.00 and the Water Fund totaling \$267,152.65 and the Grants totaling \$0.00 and the General Capital Fund totaling \$150,704.05 and the Water Capital Fund totaling \$28,582.80 and the Trust Accounts totaling \$20,594.57 and the Developer’s Escrow totaling \$2,070.00 per attached Computer Lists, dated April 14, 2026 be ordered paid and the proper officers are hereby authorized to issue checks for same provided there are funds in the respective appropriations; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the action of the Mayor, City Clerk and City Treasurer in issuing checks in payment on the Ratification List, totaling \$11,031,477.44 to the meeting be ratified.

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 13, 2026  
Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

\_\_\_\_\_  
Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

**Record of Council Vote on Passage**

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-200-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY**

**AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT FOR ROOF REPAIRS AT THE  
GARFIELD HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield has a need to perform certain repairs at the Garfield Health Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the anticipated cost of said repairs is below the public bidding threshold in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the City solicited quotes for the required work in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-6 and applicable local procurement policies; and

**WHEREAS**, the three (3) lowest quotes are as follows:

- A-1 Alling Contracting LLC – \$38,750.00
- Marroquin Homes LLC - \$42,275.00
- Kay Home Improvement - \$45,500.00

; and

**WHEREAS**, A-1 Alling Contracting, LLC submitted the lowest responsible quote in the amount of \$38,750.00 and

**WHEREAS**, the award of this contract is being made in accordance with the Local Public Contracts Law and Pay-to-Play Regulations, and the contractor has submitted all required disclosures and certifications, including but not limited to a Business Entity Disclosure Certification and Political Contribution Disclosure, if applicable; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief Financial Officer has certified that sufficient funds are available in account number C-04-55-253-085-300;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey, as follows:

1. The quote for repairs at the Garfield Health Department is hereby awarded to A-1 Alling Contracting, LLC in the amount of \$38,750.00, as the lowest responsible quote.
2. This award is made in compliance with the Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq., and Pay-to-Play Regulations.

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 13, 2026

Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-201-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY**

**APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT UNDER AN ESCNJ  
COOPERATIVE CONTRACT**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:11-12a and N.J.A.C. 5:34-7.29(c), may by resolution and without advertising for bids, purchase any goods or services under the State of New Jersey Cooperative Purchasing Program for any State contracts entered into on behalf of the State by the Division of Purchase and Property in the Department of the Treasury or under State accepted Cooperatives; and

**WHEREAS**, ESCNJ is a group of governmental organizations, boards of education and other public bodies located in the United States, who pool their purchasing power together to receive discounted prices on a wide range of goods and services; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield is a member of the ESCNJ co-op; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has a need to purchase playground equipment; and

**WHEREAS**, said equipment is available for purchase through the ESCNJ co-op under Contract #ESCNJ 24/25-01 with the MRC; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield desires to enter into an agreement with MRC, PO Box 106, Spring Lake, NJ 07762 to provide the playground equipment in accordance with the terms and conditions of the current contract #ESCNJ 24/25-01 for the purchase price of \$171,814.11;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, as follows:

1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a contract with MRC in the amount of \$171,814.11 to provide playground equipment in accordance with the terms and conditions of the contract #ESCNJ 24/25-01.
2. A Certificate showing the availability of funds for the Contract authorized hereby shall be provided by the Chief Financial Officer.
3. The City Clerk is directed to forward certified copies of this Resolution to MRC, PO Box 106, Spring Lake, NJ 07762.

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

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Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 13, 2026  
Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-202-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY**

**RESCINDING RESOLUTION 159-26 AND AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF THE  
PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO GREEN VALLEY GROUP, LLC FOR THE  
GARDEN COURT EAST PLAYGROUND PROJECT – GREEN ACRES**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield publicly bid the above-referenced Project on March 12, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield awarded the Project to Murray Paving & Concrete, LLC as the lowest responsive bidder (\$237,904.00) by Resolution 159-26 dated March 24, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 17, 2026, the owner of Murray Paving & Concrete, LLC, William A. Murray, plead guilty to conspiracy to commit honest service fraud before The Honorable United States District Judge Claire C. Cecchi; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield became aware of the March 17, 2026 guilty plea of the principle of Murray Paving & Concrete, LLC after it awarded the public works contract; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Engineer has confirmed that the bid submitted by the second lowest responsive bidder, Green Valley Group, Inc. (in the amount of \$269,920), is compliant and in order and recommends the award of the project to Green Valley Group, Inc.; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Garfield Chief Financial Officer has verified the existence of the funds in the appropriate account for the Project;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the City of Garfield hereby rescinds Resolution 159-26 and further authorizes the award of the public works Project to Green Valley Group, Inc. in the total amount of \$269,920.00 to be paid out of account C-04-55-253-097-300 and PO# 26-00820; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor and/or City Manager is hereby authorized to execute said contract.

I, Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer for the City of Garfield do hereby confirm that there are sufficient funds available for this resolution.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Nicholas Prochilo, Chief Financial Officer

April 13, 2026  
Dated

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-203-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY**

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO RECOGNIZE EDWARD KOVACH AS HONORARY  
CHIEF FOR 50 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE GARFIELD  
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**WHEREAS**, Edward Kovach was admitted to the Garfield Volunteer Fire Department in 1976; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Kovach established himself as a dedicated and active firefighter serving as Captain, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant and 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant as well as his administrative leadership role as Secretary, President and Treasurer in the Garfield Volunteer Fire Department, Fire Company No. 5; and

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Kovach was elected President of the Garfield Fire Department Relief Association in 2013 and proudly continues to serve today; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council wish to officially recognize and congratulate Mr. Kovach for his work over the course of his distinguished career;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that we wish to thank and commend Edward Kovach for 50 years of dedicated service to the City of Garfield and its residents; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the City is hereby authorized to bestow upon Edward Kovach the ceremonial title of Honorary Chief of the Garfield Volunteer Fire Department in recognition of his service.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-204-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY**

**AUTHORIZING ADOPTION OF THE BERGEN COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL  
HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council recognizes the threat that natural hazards pose to people and property within the City of Garfield; and

**WHEREAS**, the County of Bergen has prepared a multi-hazard mitigation plan, hereby known as Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan 2026, in accordance with federal and state laws, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended; the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended; and the National Dam Safety Program Act, as amended; and New Jersey P.L. 2023, Chapter 313 approved January 16, 2024; and

**WHEREAS**, the Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan 2026, identifies current and future natural hazard risks, and assesses the vulnerability of facilities, infrastructure, and populations, and defines mitigation goals and actions to reduce or eliminate long term risk to people and property in the City of Garfield from the impacts of future natural hazards and disasters; and

**WHEREAS**, adoption by the Mayor and Council demonstrates its commitment to hazard mitigation and achieving the goals outlined in the Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan 2026;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield, County of Bergen, State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. In accordance with (local rule for adopting resolutions), the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield adopts the Bergen County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan 2026. While content related to the City of Garfield may require revisions to meet the plan approval requirements, changes occurring after adoption will not require the City of Garfield to re-adopt any further iterations of the plan. Subsequent plan updates following the approval period for this plan will require separate adoption resolutions.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-205-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY**

**APPROVING 2026 CANNABIS LICENSE**

**WHEREAS**, the following applicants have submitted their application for a cannabis license for the year 2026;

<b>NAME</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>	<b>CLASS</b>	<b>DATE FOR ISSUANCE/APPROVAL</b>
Lily Extracts, LLC	163 Belmont Avenue	Class 2 Manufacturer	January 1, 2026

**WHEREAS**, it is certified that they have conformed with provisions of Ch. 100, Cannabis, adopted 7-20-2021 by Ord. No. 2890, as amended;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Garfield that the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized to issue licenses to the above-named applicants, effective on the date for issuance/approval listed above.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

**Record of Council Vote on Passage**

	<b>AYE</b>	<b>NAY</b>	<b>Abstain</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
Garnto	X			

This resolution was approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield at a Work Session Meeting held on the 14th day of April 2026. Signed and sealed before me.

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

**CITY OF GARFIELD  
BERGEN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY  
RESOLUTION R-206-26**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**RESOLUTION BY: DEPUTY MAYOR KANE  
SECONDED BY: COUNCILMAN DELANEY**

**RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Council of the City of Garfield that the actions noted in the Consent Agenda, Resolutions R-199-26 through R-206-26 be and are hereby approved and the proper officers are directed to take necessary action on same.

APPROVED: APRIL 14, 2026

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Everett E. Garnto Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

Record of Council Vote on Passage

	AYE	NAY	Abstain	Absent
Rigoglioso	X			
Delaney	X			
Kane	X			
Raymond				X
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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

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Dated

### **Solar Landscape Presentation:**

Patrice Lenowitz of Solar Landscape made a presentation of a solar opportunity that would result in an energy cost savings for Garfield residents that register for the program. She gave a brief overview, shared sample bills, and also provided other municipalities in which they are serving. Ms. Lenowitz advised that in other municipalities, a letter of support from the Mayor has assisted with notifying residents of the program and requested that the Mayor and Council consider supporting said letter. The letter would come at no cost to the City. Mayor Garnto was in favor of the program and it was determined that follow-up would take place via e-mail.

### **Reports of the Cabinet and City Council:**

#### *City Engineer's Report:*

Mr. Boswell advised that there was an issue that they recently learned about related to the contractor that was awarded the Garden Court East project. Therefore, there was a resolution to rescind the award and award the project to the next lowest, responsible bidder. He shared that a meeting was held with the School District related to the water line at School #5 and that they are waiting on a response from the School District before moving forward. Mr. Boswell said that his office plans on doing a walk through on Plauderville Avenue next week before going out to bid and that the Banta Avenue project should be starting soon. Lastly, he noted that they submitted paperwork to the City for River Drive Bergen County Open Space closeout.

#### *City Council's Report:*

Councilman Rigoglioso requested that a proclamation be placed on the next agenda for Pastor Nana.

Mayor Garnto then noted that he received a request to have a Martin Luther King Day celebration in 2027 in collaboration with all of the pastors.

Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond requested an update on illegal housing and inquired about the vending machines at City Hall. She then confirmed with the Mayor about whether or not the special agenda meetings will be cancelled moving forward. Deputy Mayor/Mayoral Advisor Raymond requested a proclamation for Chief Delaney for his upcoming award with Children's Aid and Family Services. She then asked about fire inspectors wearing identification and how anonymous complaints are handled by the health inspector.

Deputy Mayor Kane advised that he received a complaint about the property at 67 Cottage Place for a potential illegal apartment and an issue with no permits. He followed up on the tree planting at Columbus Park, to which the attorney stated he is submitting through the maintenance bond for reimbursement. Deputy Mayor Kane said that he would like the City to continue to pursue electric chargers to which Ms. Delaney said that she recently reached out to a vendor to get pricing and plans to install behind the Recreation Center as opposed to 20<sup>th</sup> Century Field through a grant. He requested an update on the property discussed by the Garwood Courts, of which the City Attorney and City Engineer were looking into. Lastly, Deputy Mayor Kane advised of a recent property maintenance complain at the Vornado property as it was not properly followed up on and the issues are outstanding.

Mayor Garnto followed up with the City Attorney on the Greater Bergen Community Action parking issue. He shared that an Arbor Day event will be held on Thursday and that there is interest for a bench memorial in honor of the middle school student that just passed away following an e-bike accident. Mayor Garnto then inquired about the delivery of the new senior bus and requested a picture be sent to him of the bus. Lastly, he asked if the County has any plans for improvements at Belmont Park.

### **Report of the City Manager:**

Ordinances:

- 1. Follow-up: Health Department Fees (Originally Junkyard)**– City Manager/City Clerk shared the updated fee schedule as recommended by the Health Department. The Mayor and Council were in favor of proceeding with the new fee schedule at the next meeting.
- 2. Follow-up Business Limits Ordinance** – City Attorney Malagiere advised that Deputy Mayor Kane's request could not be imposed legally.

3. **Towing Fees** – City Manager/City Clerk shared that a neighboring municipality asked what the City’s towing fees were as they were considering raising theirs from \$1,000 to \$1,500. She noted that the City’s fee is currently only \$500 and asked if the Mayor and Council would like to raise said fee. It was agreed that the City would raise the fee to \$1,000.
4. **Cannabis Late Fees** – City Manager/City Clerk shared the late fee structure for cannabis licenses currently. She noted that this year the City received some pushback from licensees and late payments and inquired as to whether or not they would like to make the fee structure more stringent. The Mayor and Council requested that it be 10% of the renewal fee, with an additional 5% to be tacked on every month thereafter.
5. **Municipal Liens Fire Damaged Properties** – City Manager/City Clerk reviewed information sent from the Tax Collector for the City to be able to obtain funds for municipal liens from insurance companies when there was fire at the property. It was noted that in order to be able to do so an ordinance must be adopted. The Mayor and Council expressed interested in adopting said ordinance.
6. **Massage Therapy** – City Manager/City Clerk reviewed information sent from the Registered Environmental Health Specialist to adopt a more stringent ordinance related to massage therapy parlors in the City. The sample ordinance provided was recommended and adheres to State guidelines regarding their licensing and operations. The Mayor and Council expressed interested in adopting said ordinance.
7. **Parking Program Changes** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney stated that following the last work session meeting she shared the Mayor and Council’s suggested changes to the parking program with applicable staff members for their input. Ms. Delaney discussed their comments and suggestions. Ultimately, it was decided to move forward with waiving the bi-annual permit fee, increasing the overnight parking passes to \$7, and decreasing the number of permits per household to 3 (unless proof of hardship is submitted, in which case up to 5 can be granted). Discussion ensued regarding increasing the limit of overnight parking passes. The Mayor and Council liked the suggestion to have this number reset and asked that the City look into whether or not the vendor could have it reset quarterly to permit up to 60 passes per quarter. If the vendor cannot have the amount reset quarterly, it was decided that resetting the amount to permit up to 20 per month was acceptable.

Discussion:

1. **World Cup Grant** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney stated that the Police Department will be applying for a grant focused around the World Cup that would permit the Community Affairs Division to host activities surrounding the event.
2. **LRIG Grant – 20<sup>th</sup> Century Splash Park** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney informed the Governing Body that the City was not awarded a LRIG grant this year due to the increasing number of new applicants and more school districts applying for the funding.
3. **Environmental Club** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney shared that the High School Advisor of the Environmental Club reached out regarding partnership opportunities such as exploring grants for tree planting and becoming a “Bee City”. The Mayor and Council were in support of Ms. Delaney coordinating with the advisor.
4. **Jewell Street Traffic Study Results** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney followed up on the results from the traffic study at Jewell Street. She noted that an ordinance was already introduced for the requested stop sign and that at this time the Police Department does not recommend a speed table. Mayor Garnto requested that the City look into a blinking stop sign.
5. **Tree Removal Request** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney discussed a request for a tree removal from a resident. The Mayor and Council requested that the DPW respond to determine whether or not the tree is in good condition. Should it be in good condition, they did not wish to proceed with its removal. However, if it was deemed dead or hazardous they were fine with proceeding. They did note that they would like to see more trees planted, not removed, and that unless they are dead or hazardous, tree removal requests should not be granted.

6. **Waze Partnership** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney reviewed Deputy Mayor Kane’s request to partner with the Waze GPS/traffic app where real-time reports of conditions would be sent to the City. Ms. Delaney raised concerns about participating for liability purposes and that said notification could affect the City’s Tort Claim process. City Attorney Malagiere stated that he likely agrees with Ms. Delaney and would look into the matter further.
7. **Banner Approval – GJB** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney disseminated a request for banner placement on Midland Avenue from the GJB organization. She noted that the submission was for one month, however, City policy only permits placement for 2 weeks. It was noted that another event will take place and a banner will need to be up for the first two weeks of their request. Therefore, it was decided that GJB can proceed with the banner placement for the latter two weeks of their request.
8. **Firearm Permit Waiver** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney asked that the Mayor and Council review the letter that was sent to their attention related to waiving the fee for firearms permits. She noted that over \$25,000 was collected in 2025 for said fees and that the City could use this revenue stream. Discussion ensued regarding the waiver and City Attorney Malagiere advised that this may become a requirement down the line. However, it was determined that until then the Mayor and Council would like the fee to remain.
9. **Estimated Tax Rate** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney advised that because the 2026 budget was not yet adopted, and the City is still waiting on other tax rates, an estimated third quarter tax bill is required. She noted that in previous years the City has estimated the third quarter at the highest permissible rate in an attempt to reduce the burden during the fourth quarter. The Mayor and Council approved continuing this practice.
10. **Angels Landscaping Quote – River Drive** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney stated that the DPW obtained a quote from Angels Landscaping to handle the new park on River Drive between Monroe Street and Passaic Street. She stated that she feels the City should opt out of this service in an effort to save money. Ms. Delaney noted that she feels this park can be handled by the DPW considering Angels Landscaping will be handling work at Columbus Park, which lessens the burden for the DPW, to which the Mayor and Council agreed given the size of the park and it’s features.
11. **2026 Budget Quick Review** – City Manager/City Clerk Delaney briefly reviewed the 2026 budget with the Mayor and Council. She touched base on increases due to salaries, health care, utilities, etc. and advised that budget meetings with the City Auditor have taken place and will continue to take place to reduce the budget. Ms. Delaney also discussed a timeline for its introduction and adoption.

Departmental Reports:

1. **Clerk’s Office March 2026** – No discussion ensued.
2. **Building Department March 2026** – No discussion ensued.
3. **Millennium Strategies through March 2026** – No discussion ensued.
4. **Events Committee Financing through March 2026** – No discussion ensued.
5. **Recreation Department February 2026** – No discussion ensued.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Mayor Garnto and seconded by Deputy Mayor Kane to adjourn. The motions carried unanimously by those present.

Respectfully submitted,

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Erin Delaney, MPA, RMC, CMC  
City Manager/City Clerk

*These meeting minutes were approved at the April 28, 2026 Regular Meeting of the Mayor & Council.*